

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:
OK10006-AC

VIOLATOR:
William Meadows
Tiger Safari, Inc.

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ZIP Code):**
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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 2.75(b)(1) Records: Dealers and exhibitors. You failed to make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose required information concerning animals at your facility.

Your records of acquisition were not available for this inspection.

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(c)(1) Handling of animals. During public exhibition, you failed to handle the animals so there was minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

You strung two ropes on posts to act as a barrier surrounding the first tiger pen, the leopard pens, the bear pens, and the two white tiger pens which was not an adequate barrier fence.

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 3.81 Environmental enhancement to promote psychological well-being. You failed to make your environmental enhancement plan available to APHIS upon request.

You did not make the environmental enhancement plan for the nonhuman primates at your facility available to APHIS for inspection.

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 3.127(b) Facilities, outdoor. You failed to provide natural or artificial shelter for animals kept outdoors that was appropriate to the local climatic conditions for the species concerned to afford them protection and to prevent discomfort to such animals.

You provided unanchored plywood and/or shade cloth as shades for a baby camel and a muntjac that did not adequately protect the animals from inclement weather.

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 3.127(d) Facilities, outdoor. You failed to enclose all outdoor housing facilities with a perimeter fence of sufficient height to keep animals and unauthorized persons out.

You used a rope to function as a section of perimeter fence which would not prevent unwanted animals or unauthorized persons from entering the outdoor facilities.

Date of Violation: October 28, 2009

9 C.F.R. § 3.131(d) Sanitation. (d) Pest control. You failed to establish and maintain a safe and effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests.

APHIS officials observed a number of flies in the barn where the camels' milk formula was prepared and on several boxes of fruit on the ground outside the barn.

Date of Violation: February 22, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 2.75(b)(1) Records: Dealers and exhibitors. You failed to make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose required information concerning animals at your facility.

You failed to provide records of animals on hand and disposition records that fully and correctly disclosed information concerning the animals at your facility during inspection.

Date of Violation: February 22, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(c)(1) Handling of animals. During public exhibition, you failed to handle the animals so there was minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

You failed to complete the barrier fences around the bear, tiger, lynx, and wallaby enclosures.

Date of Violation: February 22, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 3.75(a) Housing facilities, general. You failed to design and construct the housing facilities for nonhuman primates so they were structurally sound for the species of nonhuman primates housed in them.

You constructed the indoor portion of the lemur enclosure out of cinder blocks with a doorway that allows the animals to become entrapped and possibly injured.

Date of Violation: February 22, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 3.81 Environmental enhancement to promote psychological well-being. You failed to make your environmental enhancement plan available to APHIS upon request.

You did not make the environmental enhancement plan for the nonhuman primates at your facility available to APHIS for inspection.

Date of Violation: February 22, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. You failed to construct the facility out of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved.

You failed to repair and/or replace the shade structure for the spotted leopard enclosure that was rotted with two nails sticking out that could potentially harm the animal inside. You failed to repair and/or replace a loose log in the porcupine house that had been rotated and chewed on. Additionally, you failed to remove a large beam projecting into the deer enclosure.

Date of Violation: August 24, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 2.75(b)(1) Records: Dealers and exhibitors. You failed to make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose required information concerning animals at your facility.

You failed to provide records of animals on hand and disposition records that fully and correctly disclosed information concerning the animals at your facility during inspection.

Date of Violation: August 24, 2010

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. You failed to construct the facility out of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved.

The petting zoo is on a hill with ruts that made one of the shelters unsafe for the animals to use, and the ruts were large enough for the animals to be injured in them.

Date of Violation: May 24, 2011

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(c)(1) Handling of animals. During public exhibition, you failed to handle the animals so there was minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

The wooden logs used as barrier fencing throughout the facility were sawed too thin and were starting to fall and/or break apart.

Date of Violation: May 24, 2011

9 C.F.R. § 3.81 Environment enhancement to promote psychological well-being. You failed to develop, document, and follow an appropriate plan for environment enhancement adequate to promote the psychological well-being of nonhuman primates.

You failed to update your enrichment plan which was last completed August 28, 2006 although the facility has obtained additional animals and different types of species since.

Date of Violation: May 24, 2011

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. You failed to construct the facility out of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved.

You failed to repair and/or replace loose wire fencing for the deer, camel, and jackal pens. The fence and wooden post for the deer pen was leaning inwards. The fencing for the camel pen was separated from the post and the wiring hung low to the ground.

Date of Violation: March 14, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 2.131(c)(1) Handling of animals. During public exhibition, you failed to handle the animals so there was minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

You failed to repair and/or replace the barrier fencing on the north side of the facility surrounding the large cat enclosures that were split apart or broken away from the wooden posts and no longer able to provide structural strength.

Date of Violation: March 14, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. You failed to construct the facility out of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved.

You failed to repair and/or replace the wire fencing for the deer pen where the entire fence was leaning inward along with the wooden post. You failed to repair and/or replace a plastic housing unit in the middle row of pens with an electric heating pad for one nonhuman primate, where the housing unit was on its side and the wiring for the heating pad was in direct contact with the animal.

Date of Violation: March 14, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(c) Facilities, general. You failed to store supplies of food and bedding in facilities which adequately protected such supplies against deterioration, molding, or contamination by vermin.

You stored bags of dog food outside of the metal building with no additional protection from the weather. Several bags had chew marks along the bottom corner edges.

Date of Violation: March 14, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 3.127(c) Facilities, outdoor. Drainage. You failed to provide a suitable method to rapidly eliminate excess water.

You failed to remove standing water from the outdoor south cat pen. The farm animal pen had deep ground erosion in the middle area of the pen where one of the wooden shelters near the erosion was no longer structurally stable.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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